

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 1 and 3 are currently amended.

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the present application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended)      Actuating device comprising:
  - a drive unit comprising an electric motor, which motor is arranged in a housing and drives a drive shaft;
  - a gear unit comprising
    - a drive gear arranged on the drive shaft at least in a rotationally fixed manner,
    - one or more planetary gears, each planetary gear comprising a double gear having a larger gear wheel and a smaller gear wheel, supported on an axle in a fixed position and so that the planetary gear can pivot, and
      - an internally toothed gear or gear segment that is arranged on an output shaft in an at least rotationally fixed manner,  
~~which wherein~~ the drive gear in a first gear stage meshes with at least one planetary gear,
  - whereby the drive gear drives the larger gear wheel of the double gear, and the smaller gear wheel, which faces a direction of an output side, in a second gear stage meshes with the internally toothed gear or gear segment, so that the output shaft can be driven via the two gear stages; and
  - a cover fixed to the housing of the drive unit and the outside of the gear unit, arranged so that a bearing of the output shaft is arranged in the cover.

2. (Previously presented) Actuating device according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one planetary gear of said gear unit features only one planetary gear, and further comprising a motor end shield which supports said axle of said planetary gear and to which said axle is fixed, and still further comprising a gear-side bearing of said drive shaft arranged in the shield , wherein the shield is arranged to be firmly connectable to said housing of said electric motor.

3. (Currently amended) Actuating device according to Claim 2, wherein said axle is supported in said housing on a side opposite said motor end shield, and said internally toothed gear or internal gear segment comprises a corresponding recess for said axle.

4. (New) The actuating device of claim 1,  
wherein the axle lies between the output shaft and internal teeth of the internally toothed gear or gear segment.

5. (New) The actuating device of claim 2,  
wherein the axle lies between the output shaft and internal teeth of the internally toothed gear or gear segment.

6. (New) The actuating device of claim 3,  
wherein the axle lies between the output shaft and internal teeth of the internally toothed gear or gear segment.

7. (New) The actuating device of claim 1,  
wherein the output shaft has only a single bearing, the bearing being arranged in the cover.

8. (New) The actuating device of claim 2,

wherein the output shaft has only a single bearing, the bearing being arranged in the cover.

9. (New) The actuating device of claim 3,

wherein the output shaft has only a single bearing, the bearing being arranged in the cover.